

WITH THE WORLD'S BEST WRITERS

WE ARE THE PEOPLE!

We of the United States are Americans. We are the people. But are not the Canadians and Mexicans also Americans? Are they not also the people?

Europeans have long said "Yes." We of the United States have long said "No."

Now comes Archibald R. Colquhoun in his "Greater America" to fortify us in our answer. He writes of the United States of America and its dependencies alone, and he speaks of them as "America" without qualification.

"There is no other country," he says, "which could be spoken of as America."

And that is true. There are Mexicans, Canadians, Brazilians, Chilians, etc., but these are Americans only in the geographical sense. In the political and national sense only the people of the United States are Americans.

The name is ours, and ours alone by right of prior use and example to the rest of the Western world. But for us the names of the other American republics would have no national meaning at all—would be mere geographical expressions.

We made the Western hemisphere politically different, nationally different from Europe. We made it distinct in fact.

For those who have followed us we have every respect, but at present there is only one American people—only one American nation—and we are that people.—Chicago Inter Ocean.

PROGRESS OF HUMANITY.

The ethical millennium is certainly far away. The progress of humanity is rhythmical, not steadily continuous, and it may be that we are in the trough of the sea. It may be that thought has been turned to material things, or maybe only to new concepts of religion, to the dismay of those who tend neglected altars. But certainly humanity has not lost its inspiration. No wrong appears but that there are hands ready to right it, no suffering but that there is zeal for self-sacrifice in its relief, no problem of humanity but that unselfish souls are at work for its solution. If there is a recession, then, we may be sure that the flood will come again. And, whether there is or not, no better standard of ethics will be commended to favor by telling society that it is more material than ever before, when, after realizing all its faults, it perfectly well knows that it is not.—New York Tribune.

NEED OF THE FARMER.

The farmer must learn to place a cash value upon his own time and labor and know where they are expended and what results they produce. He must learn to think of the dairy cow as a machine for manufacturing milk, into milk—a machine that will do its best work when kindly treated, sheltered from storms and fed a balanced ration. The small plots of idle ground should be made to produce something that will sell in the market or supply the family table. The waste products of orchard, garden or grain field should be turned into pork, mutton or poultry, while everything that can serve no better purpose should, if possible, add fertility to the soil. Rotation of crops should make summer fallowing unnecessary and \$10 worth of apples should not be lost for the want of \$1 worth of spray.—Portland Oregonian.

HUMOR TO CURE NERVOUSNESS

Dr. B. Laquer, of Weisbaden, has published a pamphlet upon "The Proper Nourishment of the Brain," in which he puts forth the opinion that many medical procedures employed in the treatment of nervous diseases are and should be merely intended as vehicles for the real method of cure, which is psycho-therapeutic. For nervous debility Dr. Laquer recommends light, soothing poetry, steady, moderate sport, the observation of nature and everything which tends to improve the senses and muscles. Three main characteristics of the physically unstable, he says, are abnormally increased self-analysis, fear and lack of will power.

To combat these he recommends books of travel, history, biography and especially humorous works. He is even kind enough to point out some of the brands of humor which he considers to be especially adapted to the soothing of troublesome nerves, and for those who read English only he specifies the works of Dickens, Jerome K. Jerome and Mark Twain.

Of course, it is not probable that Dr. Laquer thinks he has exhausted the subject in his pamphlet. If he were to pursue his studies further he would probably be able to furnish prescriptions for the various kinds of nervousness. Dr. Laquer owes it to the humorists and to the public to go ahead with his researches, so that the world may know what brands of humor should be kept on hand and ready for use by the people who are doing the world's work in this nerve-racking age.—Chicago Record-Herald

EDWARD'S FOOT DOWN.

The English legation in the Servian capital has been broken up. The house has been vacated and the staff dispersed to other capitals and the British Minister, Sir George Bonham, will go elsewhere. King Edward VII informed the Servian government that Great Britain did not consider the promotion of the officers personally concerned in the assassination of King Alexander and Queen Draga from their posts at court to higher offices in the army and in the state, as a satisfaction for the outrage perpetrated last summer. After a long suspension diplomatic relations are now permanently closed. This is an example which other powers of Europe may have to follow. The awful murder and the protection of the murderers by the man who was the beneficiary of the assassination is too much for civilization. King Edward will be respected in all sections where decent people thrive, for delivering this rebuke. There have been kings of England who have been bloody and revengeful, but they were long before the days of Edward VII., and very little of their blood runs in his veins. Edward is a modern king. The longer other rulers postpone action as to Servia the harder will it be for them to wipe out the disgrace which is already sticking to them.—Chicago Record-Herald.

UNCLE SAM'S BIG POCKET.

Your Uncle Sam is very well to do. He puts his hand in one pocket and coin to the amount of fifty millions is scattered in insurance to rebuild Baltimore and Rochester. He puts his hand in another pocket and out comes forty millions for the Panama canal, and he stands these demands without even the tremor of a lip or the quiver of a whisker.—Kansas City World.

BATTLE SHIP SUNK

One Naval Engagement Reported—A Combined Attack to be Made

TOKIO: It is reported that the Port Arthur fleet came out of the harbor and engaged the Japanese fleet.

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The Japanese fleet was practically undamaged.

LIAO YANG: It is reported that Generals Oku and Kuroki have joined forces and are attacking from the direction of Vafangow.

There is talk of a serious engagement shortly. It is also rumored that the Japanese forces which were recently advancing in this direction have fallen back on Feng Wang Cheng.

The state of tension existing may be illustrated by the fact that the value of the rouble fell mysteriously at the Russo-Chinese bank. At first this was thought to be the effect of the result of the battle of Vfangow, but it was discovered later that Chinese from Port Arthur had declared that the fortress had been evacuated and that the troops had sailed off on a number of British ships. The value of the rouble has now returned to the normal.

It is reported from Yinkow that the Japanese are recruiting a number of Chinese bandits and are paying them good wages.

DENIES TWO STORIES

Bank Commissioner Muddle Causes All Kinds of Rumors

GUTHRIE: Considerable speculation is being indulged in by local politicians as to whom will be the assistant bank commissioner to succeed Harry Pentecost, and when the office here will be again opened. It was hinted for a time that Governor Ferguson, when he turned down the appointment of Leon Gilbert, made by Commissioner Cooper, hoped to give the vacant position to his son. This however, has been emphatically denied by Governor Ferguson in an authenticated interview, in which he declared Walter, his son, not only is too young for the position, but hardly experienced enough to perform the duties incident to the office.

The question of when the office is to be reopened is perhaps a trifle more important than who will succeed Pentecost, inasmuch as there is a consolidated report to be compiled before July 1. The office has been closed for the two weeks since Mr. Pentecost resigned, and Mr. Cooper's whereabouts are at least not generally known. It is reported that an open rupture has occurred between the governor and the bank commissioner, but this is denied by Mr. Ferguson.

A WARM WEATHER GAME

The Women of Guthrie Have a New Pastime

GUTHRIE: Guthrie husbands and young men, who have sweethearts among the social "400" here are interested and even alarmed over the alleged rapid growth in popularity of a new game of cards, which has come into favor during the warm weather, and designated "strip euchre." The game is played behind closed doors, with the blinds drawn, and only ladies in attendance. Such games are being pulled off in the afternoon, when there is no danger of the man of the house making his appearance.

The old fashioned game of four-hand euchre is played, and each time a player loses a game she must strip herself of some article of clothing. If a player loses several games in succession the clothing piles high on the table, and as a consequence there is less of it to bother the player who is losing. Numerous exciting finishes are reported.

MULHALL BARRED

World's Fair Authorities Will Not Allow Him to Participate in the Show

ST. LOUIS: The World's fair management has taken official notice of the shooting that took place when three men were injured as the result of a quarrel between Zach Mulhall and Frank Reed.

Norris B. Gregg, director of admissions and concessions, has notified Colonel Cummins of the Cummins wild west show that Mulhall must not hereafter appear in the show as given on the Pike by the Cummins management.

The indiscriminate shooting that took place, according to Mr. Gregg, is something that must not happen again, and, to prevent a possible repetition, Mr. Gregg has thought it best to exclude Mulhall from further participation in the performances where the trouble originated.

Two of Colonel Mulhall's daughters take important parts in the performances as given, but the order does not affect them.

The condition of Ernest Morgan, the boy who was one of the three shot by Mulhall, is more favorable than at any time since he was wounded. Both Frank Reed and John Murray, who were wounded during the fracas, are recovering rapidly.

The action taken by the exposition authorities was probably prompted by the fact that an indignation meeting was held by the 750 Indians at the Cummins show, presided over by Chief Geronimo and Chief Blue Horse.

After their meeting they notified the management that in the event of Mulhall's return vengeance would be meted out to him.

SALE OF IMPROVEMENTS

Indian Agent Shoenfelt Sends Out Letters of Instructions

MUSKOGEE: The following circular letter is being sent out by Agent Shoenfelt in regard to sale of Delaware-Cherokee improvements:

Replying to your letter of recent date, relative to sales of Delaware-Cherokee improvements, you are advised that before I can inspect the improvements and appraise their value, it will be necessary that the following regulations of the department and rules of this office be complied with:

(a) That the contract for sale of such improvements shall be reduced to writing, showing the valuation placed upon the improvements.

(b) That if the vendor elects to take and retain possession of the land until the rental thereof shall pay for the improvements contracted to be sold, such rental contract shall be in writing.

(c) That I be furnished with the following information, which shall either be included in the contract, or set out in an affidavit attached thereto, and made a part thereof.

1. That the vendor is a Delaware-Cherokee citizen.

2. That the vendee is a citizen of the Cherokee nation and entitled to select an allotment.

3. That the vendor has selected his allotment, and that the improvements contracted to be sold are on the vendor's surplus land.

4. A certificate from the commission to the five civilized tribes showing that "the vendor has satisfactorily established before the commission to the five civilized tribes the fact that he was, on April 21, 1904, in rightful possession of the land upon which the improvements he proposes to sell are located, and that there is no subsisting adverse claim thereto."

5. An accurate detailed description of the improvements contracted to be sold.

6. A copy of the sale and rental contracts for preservation in this office as a part of the record required by the regulations to be kept. Very respectfully,

J. BLAIR SHORNFELT,